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Privacy Office, Mail Stop 0655

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SENT VIA E-MAIL TO: foia@americanoversight.org

Austin Evers
American Oversight
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Re: **2019-HQFO-00056**

Dear Mr. Evers:

This is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), dated October 15, 2018, and received by this office on October 16, 2018. You are seeking seeking : 1. calendars or calendar entries for Ian M. Smith between the dates of October 2, 2017, and August 28, 2018; 2. records reflecting communications, (including emails, email attachments, voicemail transcripts, text messages, messages on messaging platforms (such as Slack, GChat or Google Hangouts, Lync, Skype, WhatsApp, Signal, or Twitter Direct Messages), telephone call logs, calendar invitations/entries, meeting notices, meeting agendas, informational material, talking points, any handwritten or electronic notes taken during any oral communications, summaries of any oral communications, or other materials) with or about Stephen Miller, including but not limited to communications containing the name "Stephen Miller" or email communications sent or forwarded to, received from, copying, or blind copying stephen.miller@who.eop.gov or s.miller@who.eop.gov; 3. records reflecting communications (including emails, email attachments, voicemail transcripts, text messages, messages on messaging platforms (such as Slack, GChat or Google Hangouts, Lync, Skype, WhatsApp, Signal, or Twitter Direct Messages), telephone call logs, calendar invitations/entries, meeting notices, meeting agendas, informational material, talking points, any handwritten or electronic notes taken during any oral communications, summaries of any oral communications, or other materials) with or referencing the phone number 202-881-8641; 4. email communications with any of the following individuals/organizations, including messages where custodians or outside individuals/organizations were carbon copied or blind carbon copied. This request includes all prior messages (whether incoming or outgoing) reflected in any responsive emails and any attachments: a. Marcus Epstein; b. Devin Saucier; c. Jared Taylor; d. Ben Dionisopoulos; e. Kevin DeAnna; f. Ben Zapp; g. Matt Parrott; h. Jack Donovan; i. Matthew Heimbach; j. Richard Spencer; k. Jason Kessler; l. Peter Brimelow; m. John Derbyshire; n. Wayne Lutton; o. VDARE (including any emails sent to or received from an address ending in vdare.com); p. American Renaissance (including any emails sent to or received from an address ending in amren.com) q. Federation for American Immigration Reform (including any emails

sent to or received from an address ending in @fairus.org); r. Immigration Reform Law Institute (including any emails sent to or received from ;s. an address ending in @irli.org); t. Center for Immigration Studies (including any emails sent to or received from an ; u. address ending in @cis.org) ; v. NumbersUSA (including any emails sent to or received from an address ending in ; w. @numbersusa.com) ; x. The Remembrance Project (including any emails sent to or received from an y. address ending in @theremembranceproject.org) ; z. ACT for America (including any emails sent to or received from an address ; ending in @actforamerica.org) ; aa. Kris Kobach (including but not limited to emails sent to or received from ;kkobach@gmail.com, kris@kriskobach.com, or any emails he sent from an address ending in @ks.gov) ;bb. Rep. Steve King of Iowa or any members of his staff, including but not limited to Sarah Stevens and Suanne Edmiston; 5. email communications from Ian M. Smith containing any of the following terms: a. AmRen; b. “American Renaissance” ;c. Radix d. “Richard Spencer”; e. “Jared Taylor”(Date Range for Record Search: From 1/20/2017 to 10/16/2018).

We conducted a comprehensive search of files within the Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) for records that would be responsive to your request. Unfortunately, we were unable to locate or identify any responsive records.

While an adequate search was conducted, you have the right to appeal this determination that no records exist within OCIO that would be responsive to your request. Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal and a copy of this letter, within 90 days of the date of this letter, to: Privacy Office, Attn: FOIA Appeals, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, 245 Murray Lane, SW, Mail Stop 0655, Washington, D.C. 20528-0655, following the procedures outlined in the DHS FOIA regulations at 6 C.F.R. Part 5 § 5.8. Your envelope and letter should be marked “FOIA Appeal.” Copies of the FOIA and DHS FOIA regulations are available at www.dhs.gov/foia.

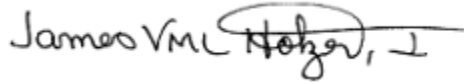
You have a right to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) which mediates disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. If you are requesting access to your own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974. You may contact OGIS as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Provisions of FOIA allow DHS to charge for processing fees, up to \$25, unless you seek a waiver of fees. In this instance, because the cost is below the \$25 minimum, there is no charge.

If you need any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, please contact the analyst below who processed your request and refer to **2019-HQFO-00056**.

You may send an e-mail to foia@hq.dhs.gov, call 202-343-1743 or toll free 1-866-431-0486, or you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison in the same manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James V.M.L. Holzer, J." with a stylized flourish at the end.

James V.M.L. Holzer
Deputy Chief FOIA Officer